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**Amendment**

This paper is submitted in response to an Office Action mailed December 04, 2006. Reconsideration and reexamination are respectfully requested in light of the amendments and remarks below.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.